GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1301
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FREE TELEPHONE CONNECTIONS
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to provide free telephone connections to the family members/dependents of the Kargil martyrs;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the time by which the said connections are likely to be provided; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) No, Sir. There is no proposal to provide free telephone connections to the family members/dependents of the Kargil martyrs.

(b) & (c): Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(d) War widows in general are fully exempted from payment of registration and installation charges. They are also given additional recurring rebate of 50% in normal rental charge. These concessions are equally applicable to war widows of Kargil martyrs.